# MALL Proof Nets: <br> weights vs abstraction and efficiency 

> (a summary of the state of the art)

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- the problem is to cope with the \&-rule

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$$

for which a superimposition of two proof nets must be made.

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- A solution: a boolean variable (eigen-wight) for each \&-link:

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- then, we can get different notions of PN in which links are weighted by non-zero:
- monomials (Girard, 1998)
dependence condition:
if $L$ depends on $p$ then $w(L) \leq w\left(\&_{p}\right)$
- or (general) polynomials ( $\sim$ Hughes-Van Glabbeek, 2003). no dependence at all!
of the Bool-algebra generated by the eigen weights.


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the topmost \& (with eigen-weight $p$ ) and $\otimes$-rules map to


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the middle $\otimes$ and $\&$-rules (with eigen-weight q) map to:


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finally, the lowest \&-rule (with eigen-weight $r$ ) maps to:


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when we add a \&-link, we don't know if a link $L_{1}$ of $\pi_{1}$ is the same as another link $L^{\prime}$ of $\pi_{2}$; in general, $p \cdot w_{1}(L)+\bar{p} \cdot w_{2}\left(L_{2}\right)$ is not a monomial, except when $L_{1}, L_{2}$ are conclusions

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assign an eigen weight to each \& in the sequent conclusion and (upwards) propagate them

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- a Polynomial PN is a sequent forest with weighted axioms
- replace parallel axioms $A X_{1}, A X_{2}, . . A X_{n}$ with weights $w_{1}, w_{2}, \ldots, w_{n}$, by a signle $A X$ with weight $w=\sum_{i}^{n} w_{i}$.



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## Local Cut-elimination with Monomial PS

or, via a new dependence condition if $L$ is a link depends on $p$ then $w(L) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{i}\left(\&_{p}\right)$
(Laurent-Maieli, 2008)


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finally, $\oplus_{i} / \&$ cuts reduce:

- globally, by erasing of slices $\bar{r}$ and $s$,
- locally, by erasing of slices $\bar{q} @ p$ and $q @ \bar{p})$



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- both global and local cut elimination procedures are terminating and confluent;
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It is strong normalising (P-time) and confluent ( $\sim$ Hughes, 2007)

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Checking Correctness and Sequentialization Complexity (P-time?)

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